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REQUEST FOR FILING APPLICATION

Under Rule 53(a), (b) & (f)

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Use for Design or Utility Applications

PATENT APPLICATION

RULE 53(f) NO DECLARATION

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Date:

December 19, 2001

Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new Patent Application (☐ Design ☒ Utility) entitled:

2. (Complete) Title: PICKED-UP-SOUND REPRODUCING METHOD AND APPARATUS

without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:

3. ☒ Abstract 1 page(s).

4. 72 Pages of Specification (only spec. and claims); 5. ☐ Specification in non-English language

6. 21 Numbered claim(s); and

7. ☒ Drawings: 15 sheet(s) ☒ 1 set informal; 8. ☐ formal of size: ☐ A4 ☐ 11"

9. DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional, nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
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10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in

Application No.	Filing Date	Application No.	Filing Date
(1) 2000-390381	December 22, 2000	(2)	
(3)		(4)	
(5)		<input type="checkbox"/> See 3 <sup>rd</sup> page for additional priorities	

11. 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date) filed on.

12. ☐ This is a reissue of Patent No.

13. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National, International application(s) (X box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 14 or 15.)

14. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line -- This is a ☐ Continuation-in-Part of: ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:

14(a) ☐ National Appln. No. / filed -- (M# )

14(b) ☐ International Appln. No. PCT/ filed which designated the U.S., and that International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published under PCT Article 21(2) in English.--

15. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/ , filed --

16. Extension to date: ☐ concurrently filed ☐ not needed ☐ previously filed

17. ☐ Small Entity Status is claimed (pre-filing confirmation required)

17(a) ☐ Attached: (No.) Small Entity Statement(s). (Since 9/8/00 Small Entity Statement not essential to make claim)

17(b) ☐ See NONPUBLICATION REQUEST under Rule 213(a) attached (PAT-258)

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18. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

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19. ☐ Attached:

20. This application is made by the following named inventor(s) (Double check instructions for accuracy.):  
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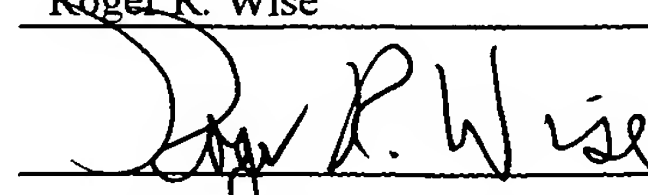
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